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At the present time the Sao Paulo Communists have decided to transform the Liga de Defesa Nacional (League for National Defense) into an instrument of political action with legal standing. They plan to use this organization as their central coordinating agency in the State of Sao Paulo:

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Comment: During World II, a number of members of the Communist Party of Brazil were active in the Liga in Sao Paulo. When the Communist Party became a legal political body, it no longer needed the Liga as a front and it allowed control to revert to the original numbers and organizers. The Communists did, however, continue to at end meetings and hold minor positions in this organization.

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